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VIA AIR COURIER

August 29, 1997

Mr. Vernon Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20423-0001 RECORDATION NO. 16 435- A

SEP 5 '97

8-34 AM

RE: Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of August 18, 1997 by Helm Financial Corporation ("Lease Termination").

Dear Mr. Williams:

On behalf of Helm Financial Corporation, I submit for filing and recording, under 49 U.S.C. Section 11303(a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder the following document:

Two (2) fully-executed originals of the above-referenced Lease Termination.

In connection with the recording of the Lease Termination, please note the following information:

Name and Address of Lessor: Helm Financial Corporation

One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3700

San Francisco, CA 94111

Name and Address of Lessee: Trains Unlimited, Inc.

501 Sycamore Street, Suite 200

Waterloo, IA 50704

Equipment: Two (2), 1,500 horsepower, GP7 locomotives.

Previous STB Filing: Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of July 6,

1989 filed on July 19, 1989 at 9:30 a.m. under

Recordation No. 16435.

Please file the Lease Termination as a supplementary document and return one (1) endorsed original to my attention. A check covering the filing fee of twenty-four dollars (\$24.00) is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Patrick Hapin Document Administrator

/ph Enclosures (2)

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD WASHINGTON, D. C. 20423-0001

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Petrick Hapin Document Administrator Pela Mitancial Corporator One Embarcadero Center San Francisco CA. 94111 DATE: 9/5/97

Dear grant

The enclosed document(s) was recorded pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 11301

and 49 CFR 1177.3 (c), on

9/5/97

at 8/3/4

, and

assigned recordation number(s).

10258-B 16435-A, 16525-A, 17394-A, 17455 A, 17579-A 17698-A and 19873-A.

Sincerely Yours,

Vernon A. Williams

Secretary

Enclosure(s)

\$ 192.00 The amount indicated at the left has been received in payment of a fee in connection with a document filed on the date shown. This receipt is issued for the amount paid. In the event of an error or any questions concerning this fee, you will receive a notification after the Surface Transportation Board has an opportunity to examine your document.

Signature

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TERMINATION OF LEASE

THIS TERMINATION OF LEASE OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT ("Termination") is dated as of August 18, 1997 by HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION, a California corporation ("Lessor").

1. Recitals. Lessor entered into the Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of July 6, 1989 ("Lease") with Trains Unlimited, Inc., an Iowa corporation, with respect to the two (2), 1,500 horsepower, GP-7 locomotives bearing the reporting mark and numbers ATSF 2066 and 2067. The Lease is on file at the Surface Transportation Board of the Department of Transportation (f.k.a. the Interstate Commerce Commission) ("STB") under STB Recordation No. 16435 filed on July 19, 1989 at 9:30 a.m.

The Lease was terminated on April 1, 1991. The purpose of this Termination of Lease is to provide a formal termination document for filing with the STB.

2. <u>Termination</u>. The Lease is hereby formally terminated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor, pursuant to due corporate authority, has caused this Termination of Lease to be signed in its corporate name as of the date first above written.

HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Print Name: John F. Dains

Title: Senior Vice President & CFO

person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Patrick M. Hapin

SIGNATURE OF THE NOTARY

[Notarial Seal]

